

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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 THIS IS A REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER IN THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION AND INCLUDES THE HEREWITHE ATTACHMENT OF SAME DATE AND SUBJECT WHICH IS INCORPORATED HEREINTO BY REFERENCE AND THE SIGNATURE BELOW IS TREATED AS THE SIGNATURE TO THE ATTACHMENT IN ABSENCE OF A SIGNATURE THERETO.

FEE REQUIREMENTS FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

1. Small Entity claim
 A. NOT made
 B. Withdrawn
 C. made herewith
 D. made previously

For B & C
 See Required
 Separate Paper
 (Pat-256)

Claims remaining after amendment	Highest number previously paid for	Present Extra	Large/Small Entity	Additional Fee	Fee Code Lg/Sm
2. Total Effective Claims	**minus 0	0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ \$0	103/203
3. Independent Claims	***minus 0	0	x \$80/\$40 =	+ \$0	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)	add	+ \$270/\$135 =	+ \$0		104/204
5. Original due Date: January 4, 2001	<input type="checkbox"/> NONE				
6. Petition is hereby made to extend the original due date to cover the date this response is filed for which the requisite fee is attached	(1 mo) (2 mos) (3 mos) (Usable only for ≤ 2mo.OA --- 4 mos) (Usable only for 30 day/1mo.OA --- 5 mos)	\$110/\$55 = \$390/\$195 = \$890/\$445 = \$1390/\$695 = \$1890/\$945 =	+ \$890		115/215 116/216 117/217 118/218 128/228
7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract		- \$0			
8.		Extension Fee Attached	+ \$890		
9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee		+ \$110/\$55	+ \$0		148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee under Rule 97 (c), or if Rule 97(d) Request	add add	+ \$180 + \$180	+ \$180		126 126
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)		+ \$710/355	+ \$0		146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)		x \$710/355 ea	+ \$0		149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)		+ \$710/355	+ \$0		1179/1279
14. Petition fee for		+ \$0			
15.		TOTAL FEE CHARGED TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT =	\$1060		

16. *If the entry in this space is less than entry in next space, the "Present Extra" result is "0".

17. **If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 20, write "20" in this space.

18. ***If the "Highest number previously paid for" in this space is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

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This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal sheet is filed.

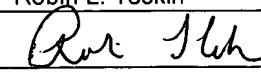
Query: Is appeal deadline now? If so, file Notice of Appeals separately.

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